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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

### FORM D

# NOTICE OF SALE OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO REGULATION D, SECTION 4(6), AND/OR UNIFORM LIMITED OFFERING EXEMPTION

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Name of Offering (  check if this is an amendment and name has changed, and indicate change.)  Lehman Brothers Merchant Banking Fund III L.P.	
Filing Under (Check box(es) that apply): Rule 504 Rule 505 Rule 506  Type of Filing: New Filing Amendment	Section 4(6) ULOS
A. BASIC IDENTIFICATION DATA	RECEIVED WAS
1. Enter the information requested about the issuer	NOV 8 2004
Name of Issuer ( check if this is an amendment and name has changed, and indicate change.)  Lehman Brothers Merchant Banking Fund III L.P. (the "Partnership")	
Address of Executive Offices (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)  Lehman Brothers Inc., 399 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10022	Telephone Number (Including Afre Code) (212) 526-7000
Address of Principal Business Operations (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code) (if different from Executive Offices)	Telephone Number (Including Area Code)
Brief Description of Business An investment vehicle formed to make private equity investments primarily in m Western Europe.	iddle-market companies in North America and
Type of Business Organization  corporation  business trust  limited partnership, already formed  other (please specify):  limited partnership, to be formed	₹*** • <del>**</del> -
Actual or Estimated Date of Incorporation or Organization:    Month   Year	Estimated Figure 5 2004
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Federal:	
Who Must File: All issuers making an offering of securities in reliance on an exemption under Regulation D or Section 4(6), 17	CFR 230.501 et seq. or 15 U.S.C. 77d(6).
When to File: A notice must be filed no later than 15 days after the first sale of securities in the offering. A notice is deemed file (SEC) on the earlier of the date it is received by the SEC at the address given below or, if received at that address after the date o States registered or certified mail to that address.	
Where to File: U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549.	
Copies Required: Five (5) copies of this notice must be filed with the SEC, one of which must be manually signed. Any copies signed copy or bear typed or printed signatures.	not manually signed must be photocopies of the manually

Filing Fee: There is no federal filing fee.

This notice shall be used to indicate reliance on the Uniform Limited Offering Exemption (ULOE) for sales of securities in those states that have adopted ULOE and that have adopted this form. Issuers relying on ULOE must file a separate notice with the Securities Administrator in each state where sales are to be, or have been made. If a state requires the payment of a fee as a precondition to the claim for the exemption, a fee in the proper amount shall accompany this form. This notice shall be filed in the appropriate states in accordance with state law The Appendix to the notice constitutes a part of this notice and must be completed.

Information Required: A new filing must contain all information requested. Amendments need only report the name of the issuer and offering, any changes thereto, the information

requested in Part C, and any material changes from the information previously supplied in Parts A and B. Part E and the Appendix need not be filed with the SEC.

### **ATTENTION**

Failure to file notice in the appropriate states will not result in a loss of the federal exemption. Conversely, failure to file the appropriate federal notice will not result in a loss of an available state exemption unless such exemption is predicated on the filing of a federal notice.

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. Enter the aggregate offering price of securities included in this offering and the total amount already sold. Enter "0" if answer is "none" or "zero." If the transaction is an exchange offering, check this box and indicate in the columns below the amounts of the securities offered for exchange and already exchanged.					
Type of Security	Aggreg			Amount	
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	\$ -0		\$	-0-	
Equity	\$ -0	-	\$	-0-	
Common Preferred					
Convertible Securities (including warrants)	\$ -0	-	\$	-0-	-
Partnership Interests	\$ 1,000,00	00,000	\$	94,550,000	-
	\$ -0		\$	-0-	•
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Answer also in Appendix, Column 3, if filing under ULOE.  2. Enter the number of accredited and non-accredited investors who have purchased securities in this offering and the aggregate dollar amounts of their purchases. For offerings under Rule 504, indicate the number of persons who have purchased securities and the aggregate dollar amount of their purchases on the total line. Enter "0" if answer is "none" or "zero."					
Accredited Investors	Numb Investe		\$	Aggregate Dollar Amount of Purchases 94,550,000	
Non-accredited investors	-0-		\$	-0-	-
Total (for filings under Rule 504 only)	NA		\$	NA NA	-
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3. If this filing is for an offering under Rule 504 or 505, enter the information requested for all securities sold by the issuer, to date, in offerings of the types indicated, in the twelve (12) months prior to the first sale of securities in this offering. Classify securities by type listed in Part C - Question 1.  Type of offering  Rule 505	Type Securi NA	ity	\$	Dollar Amount Sold NA	
Regulation A	NA		\$	NA	
Rule 504	NA		\$	NA	•
Total	NA		\$	NA	-
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a. Furnish a statement of all expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities in this offering. Exclude amounts relating solely to organization expenses of the issuer. The information may be given as subject to future contingencies. If the amount of an expenditure is not known, furnish an estimate and check the box to the left of the estimate.					
Transfer Agent's Fees	•••••	$\boxtimes$	\$	-0-	
Printing and Engraving Costs		$\boxtimes$	\$	110,000	
Legal Fees	•••••	$\boxtimes$	\$	1,395,593	•
Accounting Fees		$\boxtimes$	\$	-0-	
Engineering Fees		$\boxtimes$	<u>s</u>	-0-	•
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Sales Commissions (specify finders' fees separately)		$\boxtimes$	\$	85,000	-
Sales Commissions (specify finders' fees separately)  Other Expenses (identify)travel, telephone and misc			_	85,000 30,000	-

	C. OFFERING I RI	CE, NUMBER OF INVESTORS, EXTENSES AND CS	D OF I K	CEBED	_		
	expense furnished in response to Part C - Ques	offering price given in response to Part C - Question 1 and tion 4.a. This difference is the "adjusted gross proceeds to	the			\$ 998,379,4	07
5.	purposes shown. If the amount for any purpos	is proceeds to the issuer used or proposed to be used for e se is not known, furnish an estimate and check the box to d must equal the adjusted gross proceeds to the issuer so	the left of	f			
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	offering that may be used in exchange for the as		_				
	issuer pursuant to a merger)		🖂	\$	-0-	_ <u> </u>	-0-
	Repayment of indebtedness		🛛	\$	-0-	_ <u>                                     </u>	-0-
	Working capital		🛛	\$	-0-	_ <u>                                     </u>	-0-
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		D. FEDERAL SIGNATURE					
an und		he undersigned duly authorized person. If this notice if file rities and Exchange Commission, upon written request of Rule 502.					
	(Print or Type)	Signature	Date			****	
Lehm L.P.	an Brothers Merchant Banking Fund III						
Name	(Print or Type)	Title of Signer (Print or Type)					
Fred	Steinberg	Vice President and Treasurer of Lehman Brothers M	erchant I	Banking .	Associate	es III L.L.C.	
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## ATTENTION

Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute federal criminal violations. (See 18 U.S.C. 1001).